

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:678
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APPOINTMENT OF DEALERS BY OIL COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a): whether the government have permitted oil companies to appoint distributors of petroleum products; and
- (b): if so, the procedure through which the distributors of kerosene, petrol, diesel and LPG would be appointed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a)&(b): Consequent upon dismantling of the Administered Pricing Mechanism in the petroleum sector w.e.f. 1.4.2002, all Dealer Selection Boards have since been dissolved. The selection of dealers/distributors for petroleum products will now be made by the Oil Marketing Companies themselves as per the approved guidelines.